In the Specification

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> [0002] The present invention relates generally to wireless communication devices, and more particularly to [[a]] graphical user interfaces for controlling such devices.

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> [0036] Microprocessor 238, in addition to its operating system functions, preferably enables execution of software applications on mobile station 202. A predetermined set of applications which control basic device operations, including at least data and voice communication applications, will normally be installed on mobile station 202 during its manufacture. A preferred application that may be loaded onto mobile station 202 may be a personal information manager for organizing and managing data items relating to the user such as, but not limited to, instant messaging (IM), e-mail, calendar events, voice mails, appointments, and task items. Naturally, one or more memory stores are available on mobile station 202 and SIM 262 to facilitate storage of PIM data items and other information.

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[0043] Referring now to FIG. 3, there is an illustration of an exemplary main screen 300, in accordance with an embodiment of the invention, for a display 112, 222 of mobile station 202 providing a graphical user interface for controlling mobile station 202. Main screen 300 is divided into two main portions, namely an application portion 301 for displaying and manipulating icons (e.g. 304-312) for various software applications and functions enabled by mobile station 202 and a mobile station status portion 302 for displaying status information such as time, date, battery and signal strength, etc. FIG. 3 illustrates three icons 304, 306 and 308 for respective IM applications IM 1, IM 2 and IM 3 and two icons 310, 312 for the two e-mail services Email 1 and Email 2. Associated with each icon is a name (e.g. IM 1) for the application for icon 304. The name may also be presented in a name region 314 of application portion 301.

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[0049] FIG. 5 ~~is an illustration of~~ shows an IM application icon 306 following a user action. When the user of mobile station 202 moves the focus of main screen from icon 304 through 306 and 308 to highlight phone icon 502, visual modification 400 persists at icon 306 to maintain the visual modification and remind the user of the unread message. Preferably, only once the user activates an application and reads the unread message is the visual modification changed, for example, to decrease the count and, if applicable, remove the modification if the count is zero.

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[0053] FIG. 8 is an illustration of another embodiment for previewing events on a main screen of a mobile station such as station 202. In this embodiment, two new events, one for each of IM application icons 304, 306 are indicated via respective visual modifications 802 and 804. Visual modification 802 comprises an event count, namely a count of unread messages and a message preview providing a sender identity and a portion of the unread message. Similarly though differently modification 804 comprises an event count and state preview indicating IM correspondent buddy ~~Tom~~ "Red98" has signed on. Persons of ordinary skill in the art will appreciate that different events may be visualized on the main screen in accordance with the invention and these events may depend upon the associated application.